

REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of all grounds of rejection contained in the Final Office Action are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks. Base claims 1, 13 and 19 have been amended, no new matter has been added. Support for amended claim 1, 13 and 19 can be found at least in the Specification on page 12, lines 4-10. Claims 1-24 are pending herein.

Claims 1-24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Ellis et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,665,869 B1).

Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments made to claims 1, 13 and 19 overcome all of the rejections listed above. In particular, base claim 1 has been amended to recite (*inter alia*): identifying at least one key object in at least one Internet document, *wherein said key object represents a topic of interest*; ... Base claims 13 and 19 recite similar limitations for a System.

Although Ellis enables a user to select a program from a program guide via the use of an Internet browser, Applicants respectfully submit that Ellis does not disclose, suggests, or imply identification of key objects in Internet documents that represent topics or fields of interest to a user.


It is respectfully submitted that Ellis fails to disclose each and every element as set forth in base claims 1, 13 and 19. Nor would a person of ordinary skill in the art have found any of the instant claims obvious in view of Ellis. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that at least for the reasons indicated above, instant base claims 1, 13 and 19 are patentable.

The other claims in this application are each dependent from the independent claim discussed above and are therefore believed patentable for the same reasons. Since each dependent claim is also deemed to define an additional aspect of the invention, however, the individual consideration of the patentability of each on its own merits is respectfully requested.

The applicants submit that the claims, as they now stand, fully satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 103. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, entry of this amendment, favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application are respectfully solicited.

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